

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

YANG ET AL.

Appln. No.: 09/398,897 Group Art Unit: 1647

Filed: September 20, 1999 Examiner: Robert C. Hayes

For: STABLE NEURAL STEM CELLS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This submission is in response to the Official Action of November 19, 2002.

A Petition for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the requisite fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) are enclosed.

Kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.